## BEFORE THE BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 2008-42

JEFFREY F. VOGEL A.K.A. JEFFREY FLOYCE VOGEL A.K.A. JEFF VOGEL PO Box 8422 Waco, TX 76714 O.A.H. No.

Registered Nurse License No. 405920

Respondent.

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective on March 24,2008

It is so ORDERED February 22,2008

FOR THE BOARD OF REGISTERS NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

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Vogel (Respondent). The license was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 2008-42 and will expire on January 31, 2008, unless renewed.

## **JURISDICTION**

4. Accusation No. 2008-42 was filed before the Board of Registered Nursing (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on August 20, 2007. Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. 2008-42 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

## ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 5. Respondent has carefully read, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 2008-42. Respondent also has carefully read, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at his own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

## CULPABILITY

- 8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation No. 2008-42, agrees that cause exists for discipline and hereby surrenders his Registered Nurse License No. 405920 for the Board's formal acceptance.
- 9. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation he enables the Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of his Registered Nurse License without further process.

## RESERVATION

10. The admissions made by Respondent herein are only for the purposes of this proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Board of Registered Nursing or other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceeding.

## **CONTINGENCY**

- Nursing. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board of Registered Nursing may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 13. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the (Board) may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Order:

## <u>ORDER</u>

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Registered Nurse License No. 405920, issued to Respondent Jeffrey F. Vogel a.k.a. Jeffrey Floyce Vogel a.k.a. Jeff Vogel is surrendered and accepted by the Board of Registered Nursing.

14. The surrender of Respondent's Registered Nurse License and the acceptance of the surrendered license by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline

against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Board.

- 15. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a registered nurse in California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.
- 16. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board both his wall and pocket license certificate on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 17. Respondent fully understands and agrees that if he ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 2008-42 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the petition.
- 18. Upon reinstatement of the license, Respondent shall pay to the Board costs associated with its investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3 in the amount of Five Thousand Ninety Four Dollars and No Cents (\$5,094). Respondent shall be permitted to pay these costs in a payment plan approved by the Board.
- 19. Should Respondent ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other health care licensing agency in the State of California, all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation, No. 2008-42 shall be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure.
- 20. Respondent shall not apply for licensure or petition for reinstatement for two (2) years from the effective date of the Board of Registered Nursing's Decision and Order.

## **ACCEPTANCE**

I have carefully read the Stipulated Surrender of License and Order. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Registered Nurse License. I enter into this

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ı	Stipulated Surrender of License and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to
2	be bound by the Decision and Order of the Board of Registered Nursing.
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12	The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby respectfully
13	submitted for consideration by the Board of Registered Nursing of the Department of Consumer Affairs.
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Exhibit A
Accusation No. 2008-42

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10	STATE OF CAL	JIFORNIA			
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12	JEFFREY F. VOGEL	O.A.H. No.			
13	a.k.a. JEFFREY FLOYCE VOGEL a.k.a. JEFF VOGEL				
14	PO Box 8422 Waco, TX 76714	ACCUSATION			
15	Registered Nurse License No. 405920				
16	Respondent.				
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18	Complainant alleges:				
19	<u>PARTIE</u>	$\underline{\underline{S}}$			
20	1. Ruth Ann Terry, M.P.H, R.N	(Complainant) brings this Accusation solely			
21	in her official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department				
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23	2. On or about September 30, 1986, the Board issued Registered Nurse				
24	License No. 405920 to Jeffrey F. Vogel a.k.a. Jeffrey Floyce Vogel a.k.a. Jeff Vogel				
25	(Respondent). The Registered Nurse License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to				
26	the charges brought herein and will expire on January 31, 2008, unless renewed.				
27	JURISDICTION				
28	3. This Accusation is brought before the Board, under the authority of the				
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"(b) Use any controlled substance as defined in Division 10 (commencing with

part:

Section 11000) of the Health and Safety Code, or any dangerous drug or dangerous device as defined in Section 4022, or alcoholic beverages, to an extent or in a manner dangerous or injurious to himself or herself, any other person, or the public or to the extent that such use impairs his or her ability to conduct with safety to the public the practice authorized by his or her license.

- "(c) Be convicted of a criminal offense involving the prescription, consumption, or self-administration of any of the substances described in subdivisions (a) and (b) of this section, or the possession of, or falsification of a record pertaining to, the substances described in subdivision (a) of this section, in which event the record of the conviction is conclusive evidence thereof.
- "(d) Be committed or confined by a court of competent jurisdiction for intemperate use of or addiction to the use of any of the substances described in subdivisions (a) and (b) of this section, in which event the court order of commitment or confinement is prima facie evidence of such commitment or confinement. . . ."

### 8. Section 490 states:

"A board may suspend or revoke a license on the ground that the licensee has been convicted of a crime, if the crime is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the license was issued. A conviction within the meaning of this section means a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere. Any action which a board is permitted to take following the establishment of a conviction may be taken when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under the provisions of Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code."

9. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1444, states, in pertinent

"A conviction or act shall be considered to be substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a registered nurse if to a substantial degree it evidences the

present or potential unfitness of a registered nurse to practice in a manner consistent with the public health, safety, or welfare. Such convictions or acts shall include but not be limited to the following:

- "(a) Assaultive or abusive conduct . . . . "
- 10. Section 118, subdivision (b), provides that the suspension / expiration / surrender / cancellation of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.
- 11. Section 125.3 provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

## FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Convictions of Substantially Related Crimes)

Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Sections 490 and 2761, subdivision (f), on the grounds that Respondent was convicted of crimes substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a registered nurse, as follows:

## 13. Criminal Threats

On or about October 12, 2005, in a criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Jeffrey Floyce Vogel* in San Luis Obispo Superior Court, Case No. M372359, Respondent was convicted on a plea of *nolo contendere* for violating Penal Code section 422 (criminal threats), a misdemeanor. In addition to fines and 3 years probation, the court ordered Respondent to continue his alcohol treatment, and abstain from use of drugs or alcohol.

A. The circumstances of the conviction are that on or about May 9, 2005, San Luis Obispo Police Department officers responded to a call that a man with a rifle was inside a residence. Respondent was a house guest at the residence of Mr. Jones. Respondent, while intoxicated, made verbal threats and threatened bodily harm to Mr. Jones. Respondent

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repeatedly opened and closed the breech action on a rifle in an adjacent room to where Mr. Jones was. The officers arrested Respondent and confiscated two rifles from the premises.

#### 14. Public Intoxication

On or about April 12, 2005, in a criminal proceeding entitled The People of the State of California v. Jeffrey Floyce Vogel in San Luis Obispo Superior Court, Case No. M36836, Respondent was convicted on a plea of nolo contendere for violating Penal Code section 647(f) (public intoxication), a misdemeanor. Respondent was denied probation and ordered to serve 2 days jail time.

The circumstances of the conviction are that on or about January 15, 2005, A. San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Department officers assigned to security at the San Luis Obispo Airport had been alerted that a man who was inebriated, or apparently debilitated by a medical condition, was arriving to board a plane. Respondent arrived at a terminal counter and was told that he had missed his flight. Respondent was wobbly on his feet, with glazed eyes and was unable to discern his luggage from others. Respondent reeked of alcohol, slurred his speech, and admitted to police that he had been drinking. The officers arrested Respondent because he presented a safety risk to himself due to his extreme intoxication.

#### 15. Second DUI

On or about February 24, 2003, in a criminal proceeding entitled The People of the State of California v. Jeffrey Floyce Vogel in San Luis Obispo Superior Court, Case No. M335096, Respondent was convicted on a plea of nolo contendere for violating Vehicle Code section 23152(b) (driving a vehicle while having a greater than 0.08% blood alcohol content level), a misdemeanor. The court ordered Respondent to 12 days consecutive weekend jail time, 3 years probation, fines, and to attend a second offender DUI program.

Α. The circumstances of the conviction are that on or about November 13, 2002, California Highway Patrol officers, in Templeton, California, arrested Respondent after observing him sitting on a road's dirt shoulder with minor abrasions to his forehead. Respondent had driven his vehicle over an embankment, where it rolled down the hill and came to rest on its wheels. Police determined that Respondent had been driving his vehicle while

intoxicated. When the officers questioned Respondent about abrasions to his forehead, and whether he needed medical treatment, Respondent admitted to the police that he had been unconscious for the past two hours and requested an ambulance. During questioning by police, Respondent was belligerent and threatened the arresting officer. Respondent's breath blood alcohol content level (BAC) was tested at 0.21% and 0.20%, and his subsequent blood BAC was tested at 0.19%.

## 16. First DUI

On or about October 10, 2000, in a criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Jeffrey Floyce Vogel* in San Luis Obispo Superior Court, Case No. M300114, Respondent was convicted on a plea of *nolo contendere* for violating Vehicle Code section 23152(b) (driving a vehicle while having a greater than 0.08% blood alcohol content level), a misdemeanor, with enhanced sentencing provisions, for having a BAC greater than .15% pursuant to Veh. Code section 23578. The court ordered Respondent to serve 4 days jail time, 3 years probation, fines, and attend a first offender driving while intoxicated program.

A. The circumstances of the conviction are that on or about July 16, 2000, Atascadero Police Department officers responded to a traffic collision wherein Respondent was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol and not having proof of insurance.

Respondent's BAC was tested at 0.22%.

## SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Assaultive and / or Abusive Conduct)

17. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Section 2761, subdivision (a), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct as defined in California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1444, subdivision (a), in that on or about May 9, 2005, Respondent's conduct was assaultive and / or abusive based on the allegations of paragraph 13A.

## THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Convictions Involving Self-Administration of Alcohol)

18. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Section 2761, subdivision (a), and 2762, subdivision (c), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that on

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or about October 10, 2000, February 24, 2003, April 12, 2005, and October 12, 2005, Respondent was convicted based on his conduct that was influenced by his consumption or selfadministration of alcohol, as more fully described above in paragraphs 13 A, 14A, 15A and 16A.

## FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Dangerous Use of Alcohol)

19. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Section 2761, subdivision (a), and 2762, subdivision (b), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that on or about July 16, 2000, November 13, 2002, and January 15, 2005, and May 9, 2005, Respondent administered alcohol to himself to an extent or in a manner dangerous or injurious to himself, any person, or the public, as more fully described above in paragraphs 13A, 14A, 15A and 16A.

## FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Commitment for Intemperate Use of Alcohol)

20. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Section 2761, subdivision (a), and 2762, subdivision (d), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that on or about October 10, 2000, February 24, 2003, April 12, 2005, and October 12, 2005. Respondent was committed or confined by a court of competent jurisdiction for the intemperate use of, or addiction to alcohol.

## DISCIPLINE CONSIDERATIONS / FACTORS IN AGGRAVATION

21. To determine the degree of discipline and as factors in aggravation. Complainant alleges that there was prior discipline of Respondent by the Board in the case entitled In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Jeffrey F. Vogel, a.k.a. Jeffrey Floyce Vogel, a.k.a. Jeff Vogel, Case No. 96-79, effective March 23, 1997. In the Board's prior decision imposing discipline, it found that Respondent had been abusing alcohol and was in fact under the influence of alcohol at the time he hit his live in partner in the face and pointed a gun at one G.T., a separate person Copies of the Decision After Nonadoption and Accusation are attached hereto as Exhibit A, and incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth. 111

## 1 <u>PRAYER</u> 2 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein 3 alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Registered Nursing issue a decision: 4 1. Revoking or suspending Registered Nurse License No. 405920, issued to 5 Jeffrey F. Vogel a.k.a. Jeffrey Floyce Vogel a.k.a. Jeff Vogel. 2. 6 Ordering Jeffrey Floyce Vogel to pay the Board of Registered Nursing the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and 7 8 Professions Code section 125.3; 9 3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper. 10 DATED: 8/3/07 11 12 13 14 **Executive Officer** 15 Board of Registered Nursing Department of Consumer Affairs State of California 16 17 Complainant 18 19 20 LA2006601147 60211021.wpd 21 4/3/2006dmm 22 23 24 25 26

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# BEFORE THE BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	)	
JEFFREY F. VOGEL, aka	)	Case No. 96-79
JEFFREY FLOYCE VOGEL, aka JEFF VOGEL	)	OAH No. L-9602148
4590 Arizona Street Atascadero, CA 93422	) )	
License No. 405920	)	
Respondent.	) ) }	

## DECISION AFTER NONADOPTION

This matter was heard by Samuel D. Reyes, Administrative Law Judge, Office of Administrative Hearings, at San Luis Obispo, California, on July 2, 1996.

Complainant was represented by Stephen S. Handin, Deputy Attorney General. Respondent was represented by Chris Casciola, Attorney at Law.

Oral and documentary evidence, and evidence by oral stipulation on the record, was received and the matter was thereafter submitted.

The proposed decision of the administrative law judge was submitted to the Board of Registered Nursing (hereinafter "the board") on July 22, 1996. After due consideration thereof, the board declined to adopt said proposed decision and thereafter on September 20, 1996 issued an Order of Nonadoption and subsequently issued an Order Fixing Date for Submission of Written Argument. On November 27, 1996, the board issued an Order Extending Date for Submission of Argument. On January 23, 1997, the board issued an

Order Delaying Decision for a period not to exceed thirty days. The time for filing written argument in this matter having expired, written argument having been filed by respondent, the entire record, including the transcript of said hearing, having been read and considered, pursuant to Government Code Section 11517, the board hereby makes the following decision and order:

## FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The accusation was filed by Ruth Ann Terry, R.N., M.P.H., solely in her official capacity as Executive Officer, Board of Registered Nursing ("Board"), Department of Consumer Affairs.
- 2. On September 30, 1986, the Board issued to respondent registered nurse license number 405920, which license expires on January 31, 1998.
- 3. a. On September 1, 1994, in the San Luis Obispo Municipal Court, County of San Luis Obispo, respondent was convicted, on his plea of no contest, of violating Penal Code section 417(a)(2) (drawing or exhibiting a firearm), a misdemeanor, and section 273.5(a) (inflicting corporal injury upon a spouse or cohabitant), also a misdemeanor.
- b. Imposition of sentence was suspended and respondent was placed on formal supervised probation for three years on terms and conditions which included service of 10 days in county jail, attendance at a thirty-two week domestic violence counseling program, performance of 50 hours of community service, attendance for six months at Alcoholic Anonymous meetings, and submission to random chemical testing and field sobriety testing.
- 4. The facts and circumstances surrounding the conviction are as follows. Respondent hit Toni Martin, the woman with whom he was living, in the face. He also pointed a gun at Gary Thurston.
- 5. The crimes for which respondent was convicted are substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties

of a registered nurse in that they show a conscious disregard for public health, safety, and welfare within the meaning of Title 16, California Code of Regulations, section 1444.

- 6. Respondent committed the crimes for which he was convicted while under the influence of alcoholic beverages. Although he did not consume alcohol at work, respondent nevertheless realized after his arrest that consumption of alcoholic beverages had become a problem. He began attending Alcoholics Anonymous meetings after his conviction as mandated by the Court, but continued to do so on a regular basis even after the expiration of the mandated six months. He has not consumed any alcoholic beverages since July 10, 1994.
- 7. Respondent has complied with the terms of probation, completing the counseling programs and the community service. He continues to comply with the conditions imposed by the Court.
- 8. Attendance at the domestic violence counseling sessions provided respondent with significant insights and other tools with which to prevent further domestic abuse incidents. He continues to live with his partner and there have been no further incidents.
- 9. Respondent has been employed at Atascadero State Hospital since 1984. For approximately one and one-half years prior to the conviction he performed one of the most stressful jobs at the Hospital. Respondent's supervisors, who have been very supportive of his rehabilitation efforts, restructured his job, increasing the number of employees who perform it and reducing the level of stress each individual must endure.
- 10. Respondent has discharged his duties at Atascadero in a competent manner. He has not been accused of violence against any patient. His supervisors have given him above-average written evaluations.
- 11. Fifteen of respondent's coworkers wrote letters attesting to his character and ability.

12. Absent challenge by respondent to the figures presented at the hearing by complainant, the following are found to be the reasonable costs of investigation and prosecution of this matter:

Investigative services from Division of Investigation	\$1,628.00	
Expert witness costs		223.00
Attorney General's Costs	6267 50	
Deputy Attorney General Paralegal	\$367.50 143.00	510,50
TOTAL	2,361.50	

13. Except for those previously addressed in this Decision, all other allegations in the accusation are found to be unproved or surplusage.

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Pursuant to the foregoing findings of fact, the board makes the following determination of issues:

## DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

- 1. Grounds exist for the suspension or revocation of respondent's license pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 490 and 2761(f) in that he was convicted of crimes substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a registered nurse, by reason of finding of fact numbers 3 through 5.
- 2. Grounds exist for the suspension or revocation of respondent's license pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 2761(a) in that he engaged in unprofessional conduct, by reason of finding of fact numbers 3 through 5 and determination of issues number 1.

- 3. Respondent presented significant evidence of mitigation and rehabilitation. The crimes occurred during a period in respondent's life in which he was under very stressful conditions and in which he was abusing alcoholic beverages. Respondent has benefited from counseling and has remained sober. Continued licensure under appropriate conditions is therefore warranted.
- 4. Conditions addressing substance abuse are necessary in that respondent was under the influence of alcohol when he hit his live-in-partner in the face and pointed a gun at Gary Thurston. Additionally, conditions addressing respondent's mental stability and impulse control difficulties are necessary in light of the above convictions.
- 5. Respondent's argument that no additional probation should be imposed in light of the continuing monitoring by the San Luis Obispo County Probation Department has been considered. The goal of the licensing scheme administered by the Board is the protection of the consuming public, a goal minimally shared by the criminal system. Moreover, the Board possesses monitoring expertise in the nursing area which surpasses that which can be brought to bear by the criminal system. Accordingly, the order which follows is necessary for the protection of the public.

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WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made:

Registered nurse license number 405920 issued to respondent Jeffrey F. Vogel is revoked; however, the revocation is stayed and respondent is placed on probation for a period of three (3) years on the following terms and conditions:

1. Respondent shall obey all the laws of the United States, the State of California, and all rules, regulations and laws pertaining to the practice of nursing in this State. A full and detailed account of any and all violations of law shall be reported in writing by respondent to the Board within seventy-two (72) hours of the occurrence. To permit monitoring of compliance with this term, respondent shall submit completed fingerprint cards and fees within 45 days of the effective date of the

Decision, unless previously submitted as part of the licensure application process.

- 2. Respondent shall fully comply with the terms and conditions of the probation program established by the Board and cooperate with representatives of the Board in its monitoring and investigation of respondent's compliance with the program. Respondent shall inform the Board in writing within no more than 15 days of any address change and shall at all times maintain an active, current license status with the Board, including during any period of suspension.
- 3. Respondent shall report in person to such meetings as the Board or its designated representatives may reasonably direct.
- 4. Periods of residency or practice outside of California will not apply to the reduction of the probationary term. Respondent must provide written notice to the Board within 15 days of any change of residency or practice outside the state.
- 5. Respondent shall submit such written reports and verification of actions as are reasonably required by the Board. These declarations shall contain statements relative to respondent's compliance with all the terms and conditions of the Board's Probation Program. Respondent shall immediately execute all release of information forms as may be required by the Board or its representatives.
- 6. Respondent shall engage in the practice of professional nursing in California for a minimum of 24 hours per week (or any other number of hours approved by the Board) for six consecutive months. In accordance with Business and Professions Code section 2732, no person shall engage in the practice of registered nursing without holding a license which is in an active status.
- 7. The Board shall be informed of and approve of each agency for which respondent provides nursing services prior to respondent's commencement of work. Respondent shall inform his employer of the reason for and the terms and conditions of probation and shall provide a copy of the Board's decision and

order to his employer and immediate supervisor. The employer shall submit performance evaluations and other reports as requested by the Board. Respondent is also required to notify the Board in writing within seventy-two (72) hours after termination of any nursing employment. Any notification of termination shall contain a full explanation of the circumstances surrounding it.

- 8. The Board shall be informed of and approve of the level of supervision provided to the respondent while he is functioning as a registered nurse. The appropriate level of supervision must be approved by the Board prior to commencement of work. Respondent shall practice only under the direct supervision of a registered nurse in good standing (no current discipline) with the Board of Registered Nursing.
- 9. Respondent may not work for a nurse registry, a temporary nurse agency, a home care agency, an in-house nursing pool, as a nursing supervisor, as a faculty member in an approved school of nursing, or as an instructor in a Board-approved continuing education program. Respondent must work only on regularly-assigned, identified and predetermined worksite(s) with appropriate supervision as approved by the Board.
- 10. Respondent at his expense shall begin and successfully complete a course in nursing as directed by the Board within one year from the effective date of this decision. Respondent must submit written proof of successful complettion to the Board. Transcripts or certficates of completeion must be mailed directly to the Board by the agnecy or entity instrucitng reposndent. Home study or correspondence courses are not acceptable and will not be approved.
- 11. Respondent shall pay to the Board costs associated with its investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3 in the amount of \$2,361.50. Respondent shall be permitted to pay these costs in a payment plan approved by the Board, with payments to be completed no later than three months prior to the end of the probation term.
- 12. If respondent violates the terms and conditions of probation, the Board may, after giving respondent notice and an opportunity to be heard, set aside the stay order and reinstate

the revocation or take such other action as the Board deems just and reasonable in its discretion. The period of probation shall automatically be extended and shall not expire until any accusation relating to such violation has been acted upon by the Board.

- Respondent shall within 45 days of the effective 13. date of this decision, have a chemical dependency evaluation performed by a alcohol and chemical dependency counselor approved by the board. The examining counselor shall submit a written report of his or her assessment and recommendations to the Board. costs are the responsibility of the respondent. Recommendations for treatment, recovery, or counseling made as a result of the examination shall be instituted, followed, completed by respondent.
- 14. Respondent, at his expense, shall participate in a random, biological fluid testing or a drug screening program that the Board approves. The length of time and frequency will be subject to approval by the Board. Respondent is responsible for keeping the Board informed of respondent's current telephone number at all times and for ensuring that reports are submitted directly by the testing agency to the Board, as directed. Any confirmed positive finding shall be reported immediately to the Board by the program, and respondent shall be considered in violation of probation.
- Respondent shall, within 45 days of the effective date of this decision, have a mental health examination including psychological testing as appropriate and to determine his capacity to perform the duties of a registered nurse. The examination shall be performed by a psychiatrist, psychologist, or other licensed mental health practitioner approved by the Board. examining mental health practitioner will submit a written report of that assessment and recommendations, to the Additionally, the report must specificically address respondent's violent conduct towards Ms. Toni Martin. All costs are the responsibility of respondent. Recommendations for treatment, therapy, or counseling made as a result of the mental health examination shall be instituted and followed by respondent.

16. Should respondent comply with all of the above terms and conditions, respondent's license shall be fully restored at the end of probation.

This Decision becomes effective on March 23, 1997.

DATED: February 21, 1997.

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                                BEFORE THE
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                      DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
                            STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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                                                     NO. 96-79
    In the Matter of the Accusation
    Against:
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     JEFFREY F. VOGEL, also known as
                                                     ACCUSATION
     JEFFREY FLOYCE VOGEL, also known as
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     JEFF VOGEL
     4590 Arizona Street
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     Atascadero, California
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      Registered Nurse License No. 405920
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                   Respondent.
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              Ruth Ann Terry, M.P.H., R.N., as causes for discipline,
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                   Complainant Ruth Ann Terry, M.P.H., R.N., makes
    and files this accusation in her official capacity as Executive
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    Officer, Board of Registered Nursing, Department of Consumer
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 2. On September 30, 1986, the Board of Registered Nursing issued registered nurse license number 405920 to Jeffrey F. Vogel, also known as Jeffrey Floyce Vogel, also known as Jeff Vogel (hereinafter referred to as respondent). The license was in full force and effect at all times relevant herein and will expire on January 31, 1996, unless renewed.

3. Under Business and Professions Code section 2750, the Board of Registered Nursing may discipline any licensee, including a licensee holding a temporary or an inactive license, for any reason provided in Article 3 of the Nursing Practice Act.

Under Business and Professions Code section 490, the board may suspend or revoke a license on the ground that the licensee has been convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a registered nurse.

Under Business and Professions Code section 125.3, the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

4. Respondent has subjected his license to discipline under Business and Professions Code section 2761(f) in that on or about September 1, 1994, in the Municipal Court of San Luis Obispo County (People v. Jeffrey Floyce Vogel, Case No. F217853), he was convicted by the court on his plea of nolo contendere to violation of Penal Code section 417(A)(2) (drawing or exhibiting

a firearm), a misdemeanor, and violation of Penal Code section 273.5(A) (inflicting corporal injury upon a spouse or cohabitant), a misdemeanor. The circumstances of the crimes are that on or about July 10, 1994, in the County of San Luis Obispo, during a altercation between respondent and his girlfriend, respondent pointed a firearm at Gary Thurston, a friend of his girlfriend's son, and hit his girlfriend in the face.

These acts are substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a registered nurse as forth in Title 16, California Code of Regulations, section 1444, in that they show a conscious disregard for public health, safety, and welfare.

5. Respondent has subjected his license to discipline under Business and Professions Code section 2761(a) on the grounds of unprofessional conduct in that on or about July 10, 1994, he drew and exhibited a firearm in a rude, angry, and threatening manner, putting the lives of others at risk. Such conduct evidences a conscious disregard for the health, safety, and welfare of others.

6. Respondent has subjected his license to discipline under Business and Professions Code section 490 in that on or about September 1, 1994, he was convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a registered nurse, as set forth in paragraph 4, above.

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WHEREFORE, complainant prays a hearing be had and that 1 2 the Board of Registered Nursing make its order: Revoking or suspending registered nurse license 3 number 405920, issued to Jeffrey F. Vogel, also known as Jeffrey 4 5 Floyce Vogel, also known as Jeff Vogel. 6 2. Ordering Jeffrey F. Vogel to pay to the Board its 7 costs and charges in investigating and enforcing the case according to proof at the hearing pursuant to Business and 8 Professions Code section 125.3. 10 Taking such other and further action as may be 11 deemed proper and appropriate. DATED: 1.12- 96 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 03579110- ' LA95AD2221 27 951228.MH

RUTH ANN TERRY, M.P.H., R.N. Executive Director Board of Registered Nursing Department of Consumer Affairs State of California Complainant 4.